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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Soviet Troops in Zerbst

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1A

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 9 January 1952

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

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1. [REDACTED] three buildings of the Gneisenau Kaserne on Dobritzerstrasse, Zerbst (M 52/D 98) were occupied by about 1,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia. A fourth building on Max Sens Platz was vacant. Troops seen in the billeting area were engaged in close-order drill and training in firing with rifles and submachine guns. No recruits were noticed. About 20 motor vehicles were seen in the two garages. The other vehicles of the units stood in the garages in the billeting area of the former Scharnhorst Kaserne on Mozartstrasse. A convoy of about 10 trucks, each carrying 6 to 8 soldiers [REDACTED] 25X1B
- [REDACTED] 25X1B moved into the billeting area on 9 December. A German resident said that the convoy had come from the direction of Dessau.

2. Between 1 and 12 December, the low wooden barracks buildings of the Scharnhorst Kaserne on Mozartstrasse were occupied by German civilians, whereas the garages attached to the installation sheltered vehicles of the unit in the Gneisenau Kaserne. \*

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- \* [REDACTED] Comment. The report cannot be considered a confirmation of the 287th Gds AAA Regt of the 7th Gds Tank Div which is carried in the Gneisenau Kaserne. It is not possible to ascertain from the branch-of-service insignia and the number of troops reported whether the Gneisenau Kaserne quarters the 287th Gds AAA Regt or the division's 334th Gds Art Regt, which is definitely no longer located in Bernburg. The truck convoy observed belongs to headquarters troops of the Third Gds Mecz Army. [REDACTED] 25X1A

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